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High School Graduates Will En-

BOYS AND GIRLS FOR A NIGHT

in the residence of Mr. and Mrs. sman S. Godfrey on Fountain street, and Mrs. Godfrey, C. W. Wurster, and Gondsberry and Bert B. Luten the members of the banquet common present, Will Nonces being the absentes. Following is the membig of the reception combittee in will entertain the guests on the pictous evening: Maurice M. House, Mrs. John Goddsmith, Mrs. Walter schmidt Miss. Ethel Barnard, Miss the Beiknap Miss Clara. Orth and rice Powers.

Preparations for the banquet are now practically completed with the exception of the completion of the program of toasts. The New Livingston dining room will be beautifully decorated for the occasion. A quartet consisting of P. K. Miller, C. W. Wurster, Arthur Kromer and Dr. H. M. Joy will furnish vocal music and instrumental music will also be in the program.

A limited number—200—only of tickets will be sold as the dining room will only sent that number. There are over 500 members in the Alumqi association and the sole of tickets having already begun, those who do not want to get left should come early and avoid the rush. Tickets are 81 a piato and are on sale at Palmer, Meech & Co., Eaton, Lyon & Co. Fifth National bank, M. L. Sweet & Co., and also by all the members of the banquet and recoption committees.

blaze at No. 286 Eighth street department out at J o'clock The house was owned by H.

Mrs. John Hyland of Tenth avenue died quite suddenly at her home Mon-day morning. She leaves her husband with a large family of small children to care for. Mr. Hyland is a street con-trator. The funeral will be held today from St. Andrew's cathedral.

The annual business meeting of the Park Congregational church will be held aext Wednesday evening. The annual church meeting will be held one week

The total money drawn from the city treasury last night for municipal ex-penses was \$5,125,62, of which \$1,156,26 came from the poor fund.

Geo. Hobser and Lily Lindley were quietly married Sunday evening by the Rev. Dan F. Bradley at 101 Ranson Charles T. Aldrich, for three years with B. E. West & Co., has taken a position with T. W. Dunn & Co.

The Misses Blanche and Madge Jack-man of Waterloo, Ind., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Leo A. Caro.

The churches have received back 14 per ceut, of the money contributed to the Mills meetings.

TWO CHRISTMAS TREATS.

Trinity Church and Avery Chapel Indulge to Festivals.

The little inmates of the Children's home on Cherry street were entertained last evening in the Sudday school rooms of Trinity church with a Christmas enof Trinity church with a Christmas entertainment of songs, recitations and kindergarien overcises by the members of Trinity Sunday school. After the exercises, the little guests were each presented with a drinking cup and pretty handkerchief—and were then huddled into a curriage kindly loaned by Stactoo Biles and taken bome spain. The children of the Sunday school then had their own exercises, after which each child received a hox of andy. The Rev. H. H. Johnston presented each of the thirty three choir bays with a present suitable to the occasion, and the reverence gentleman himself was presented with an ivory letter case and an ivory album with pedestal. Altogether, the evening was one of the pleasantest Christmas festivals over held in Trinity church.

church.

The Sunday school of Avery chapel, corner of thouseman and Lyon atreets, hold Christmas scerciscs, at which Kate Donglas Wiggin's "The Bird's Christmas Carel" was very besuttfully acted out by the children. This mission is now one of the most fleurishing in the city. The chaper is now paid for and completed with the exception of the tower, which is waiting for a tell which has been kinetly donated and will swing therein as soon as sufficient funds have been ruised. been raisort.

Crescent Star Teux Election.

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Crescent Star test No. 182, Knights of the Manushees, met last night and simeted the following afficers. Commander, J. W. Palmer, Hentenant commander, Charles Sipie, rected keeper, J. M. Davy, finance keeper, E. L. Schneider; mater as arms, C. Bindley first master of guard, William Brennant second master of guard, William Brennant second master of guard, William Brennant second master of guard, C. Hildinger; antined, B. B. Jackson, pirited, W. A. Baner. These officers will be installed one week from part Tuesday.

The regular proving of the Kent Law indicates assentiation was built in Justice satisfies court posen limit avening, nich has been secured as a permanent saint place. The Rev. H. Digby

WILL ALL BE THERE Jamenton leatured upon "Agency," and a half hour was devuted to questions still answers upon the first chapters of libertitions, James A. Coye acting as quiz master. Several new members upon the first chapters of libertitions, James A. Coye acting as quiz master. Several new members upon "Agency," and a half hour was devuted to questions of libertitions, James A. Coye acting as quiz master for

WATERLOO STREET MISSION

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mas Tree Last Night.

The Waterloo Street Mission Sunday School association made 150 little hearts happy last night. It was a little late for a Christmas tree, but the pupils in that school enjoyed it as well as if it had come promptly on time. The room at No. 19 Waterloo street was decorated with evergreens and looked really inviting with its pretty trees, all loaded with colored lights and pretty presents. The school has prospered wonderfully in the past two or three months. Here many children who had never seen the inside of a Sunday school room are gathered each Sunday and lessons of wisdom are taught there. The regular attendance is about 150 and to 1y one half of that number are less than 7 years of age. Not one of the 150 was forgotten. Each one received something. The evening was devoted to a little entertainment of speaking and singing.

move unless a lower rental can be se-cured for the next year. The executive committee met two or three weeks ago to consider the matter of rent, but it has made no report. There are two loca-tions under consideration, but the one which in all probability will be taken is in the Lockerby building on Fountain

The feneral of Alvin T. Moseley was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence of his brother. T. F. Moseley, No. 252 Cherry street. The flower was owned by H. Moseley, No. 252 Cherry street. The flower was occupied by George Forwish who lost \$25 on his furniture. A stactive chimney was the cause.

Mrs. John Hyland of Tenth avenue. The floral offerings were exceedingly beautiful. A quartet consisting of Mrs. Frank M. Davis, Mrs. Lyman Patten A Beneker and De H. M. Patten, A. Bencker and Dr. H. M. Joy readered several touching selections. The bearers were Clay H. Hollister, John B. Martin, George Hefferon, Fred Stevens, Van A. Wallin and Bert Dick-

Death of Charles E Harper.

Charles E. Harper, book-keeper for Rowson Bros., died last night at his home. No. 164 Cass street, the re-ult of home. No. 164 Cass street, the re ult of an att ck of pneumonia. Mr. Harper was 35 years old and came here from Port Hope. Canada, six years ago. He leaves a wife and two children. His father and mother have resided here with him since he came to Grand Rapids. He is a member of Valley City lodge, F. & A. M., and the funeral will be conducted by the masonic order. The time of the funeral has not been fixed.

Contagious Discasses.

Ben Decker, No. 875 Wealthy avenue; typhoid fever. Douglas Clapperton, No. 765 Wealthy avenue; chicken pox. Edith Chase, No. 4 Winsor Terrace; scarlet fever. Emma Johnson, No. 37 Bartlett street; chicken pox. Beatre Brown and Angie Brown, No. 20 Garden etreet; measles. Mary and Seat Van Dyke, No. 227 Tenth street; diphtheria. Michael Curtis, No. 193 Jefferson street; measles. W. Archibald, No. 583 Broadway; typhoid fever. Cilla Kreniel, No. 203 Travis avenue; scarlet fever.

Burial Permita.

Anna Plosy, No. — Prince street, Valley City; John L. Eckman, Kornoeije aliey, Fulton street; Warren M. Smith, No. 119 North Union street, Fulton street; Alvin B. Moseley. San Antonio, Texas, Valley City; John DeGraaf, No. 717 Grandville avenue, Valley City; Mary Hvland, No. 230 Tenth avenue, St. Andrews; Matilda Frederickson, No. 238 Fifth street, Greenwood; Mary N. Dufon, No. 233 Turner street, Cooperaville; Edla C. Blood, No. 49 Houseman street, Hastings. street Hastings.

Railroad Men Will Meet.

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A meeting of all classes of railroad men will be held in Knights of Pythias hall on South Division atreet, at 7:30 this evening, for the purpose of organizing a local lodge of the American Railway union. Addresses will be given by several railroad men and Eugene V. Dales, president of the union, will be present. All men in the employment of any railroad, no matter in what capacity, will be welcomed and are eligible to membership.

Charity Ball Program. The reception at the charity ball will begin at 8 o'clock this evening in the purfoce at The Mortin. The grand march will begin at 9-16. The dance program will consist of eighteen numbers. Those who do not dance and wish to play cards will be provided with come in which to play. The luncheso will be served in the rotunds at 11 o'clock.

After Christman Presents.

Dr. Groner's office on Monroe street was borgiarized Monday night and a quantity of small articles were stolen. The door to his private office was forced open between a o'clock Monday afternoon and a o'clock posteriay morning. A bank book, a gold chain, some small change, four secities and two bottles of perfumery were taken.

"Eddie" Smith, the famous champion trick and accordate relier scater, will give an exhibition of fancy chating in contume in Lockerby half this evening. Admission 10 cants. Wursburg's band.

HE D:D NO WRONG

John Wondergem Will Be Released From Custody.

KILLED JOHN ECKMAN

floor.

Mrs. Cornella Kornoelje, who resides next door, heard the shot and at first supposed someone had shot a dog. She saw Eckman lying in the yard and Wondergem and his wife in the door. Wondergem told her he had killed Eckman. She swore that she had seen Eckman about Wondergem's house often with a gun.

Leonard Kool swore that he was well acquainted with Eckman, and saw him ten minutes before the shooting going into Kornoelje alley with his gun. He sked him if he was going hunting, and Eckman said no, he was going to Wondergem's.

The Woman in the Case.

Mrs. Wendergem, wife of the man who did the shooting took the stand. She is a good looking woman 31 years old. She bold of his acquaintance with Eckman and said her husband was jealous and had told Eckman to keep away from the house. She went to Reed's lake once with Eckman but had not been out riding with him. He had frequently insulted her by making indecent proposals to her but she had told her husband about it right away and he was mad and told Eckman to keep away. Saturday night she went to Cornelius Eckman was there and said he would come over and give them a present. He was coming to settle matters. Then she told how bekman came and forced the door and was shot.

man was sworn. He did not seem to be deeply troubled over the killing of his sou, but swore that he was cleaning his gun all day Saturday. He did not know that there was any trouble between his

Wondergem Bought Cartridges Mrs. Wondergem was recalled and swore that she and her husband came down town and bought some cartridges for the gun because they expected trouble and had not slept for several nights on account of Eckman's threats to shoot them. This ended the testimony and a verdict was rendered upon it. Assisfant Prosecuting Attorney it. Assisfant Prosecuting Attorney Rodgers, who conducted the inquest for the people, said he was astisfied that it was a justifiable case of shooting and no jury could be found to convict him of any crime. Wondergem will probably be released at once. Eckman was buried in the potter's beid yesterday morning at the city's expense.

CLUMSY DANCERS.

The Kaiser Forced to Bar Them at Imperial Entertainments.

Chimsiness in dancing has for a long time been regarded as a most unpardonable am at the various royal and imperial courts of Europe, where the highly-polished and parquetted floors of the palaces and the spurs which form part and parcel of every full-dress uniform render waltzing a matter of some danger. At Berlin accidents of this character are said by Vogue to have been so frequent until a year ago that shortly after Christmas Emperor William summoned the gen-eral commanding the various troops stationed in and around Berlin and in-atructed him to direct those officers structed him to direct those officers who were not able to dance properly to abstain from attempting to do so at imperial entertainments. Since then young officers are put through their paces by their seniors and are obliged to display a certain proficiency in passeuls around the messroom billiard table before being allowed to dance at table before being allowed to dance at court. On one occasion—a court ball at Berlin—a young cavalry subaltern incurred the anger of the late Prince Frederick Charles by tripping up his partner. The prince assailed the young officer so bitterly that the late Emperor Frederick, then only crown prince, was obliged to intervene. At prince, was obliged to intervene. At the Vienness court, a young secretary of the Roumanian legation once fell so unfortunately while dancing with one of the archduchesses that he came down in a sitting position on her face, causing her Hapsburg nose to bleed. It is searcely necessary to add that he left Vienna the next day, and, a week later, obtained his transfer to another post. The duke of Aosta, nephew of King Humbert of Italy, broke his ankle last winter while waltzing at a ball given at Rome by the popular Mme. le Glait, the wife of the Belgian minister at Washington, and, a few weeks before the tragedy at Mayerling, the now widowed Orown Princess Stephanie had a neaty fall, due to the gancherie of a eavalry officer with whom she was waltzing Emdue to the gameherie of a cavalry off-cor with whom she was waitzing. Em-peror Francis Joseph was much an-noyed, and so, too, was the late Crown Prince Rudolph, who spoke his mind in no measured terms to the culprit. in no measured terms to the culprit. Far more polite was Emperor Napoleon III., when at a Tulleries ball, a middle aged officer and his fair partner came to grief. As the mortified know acrambled to his feet, the emperor kindly extended a hand to help him and, turning to the lady remarked: "Madam, this is the second time that I have ment the column fall; the first have seen the colonel fall; the first time it was on the battle field of Ma-

Fish so a Portition.

It was a novel object lesson on the effects of stimulants that a New Yorker asjourning in Maine last summer discovered. Beside the house where he beneded was a field that had once been cultivated, but now, was, as, torget so

shore use porgies, dogfish, and other fish worthless to eat to fertilize the land. And don't the fish just make the crops grow for a few seasons: Look at that patch now. For years it yielded the finest corn, potatoes and garden seas you ever heard of. You see the fish acts on land just as alcohol acts on a man. It stimulates it up to the highest notch, and as long as there is any productive power left in the soil if goes into the crops. But there came the time when that field gave out all int once, and all the fish you could heap on it wouldn't make it bear so much as weeds or grass. The only thing is to let it lie fallow until the soil gains atrength by rest. Farmers round the seashore have found out that though fish fertilizers give them tempting crops to start with, they must be handled as carefully as a man ought to handle rum or brandy."

alley man, "one of the gamekeepers old me about a bear that worried a amp of government soldiers almost to esperation for several weeks. Late me night a bear waddled into camp, ipped open a tent, put the soldiers of fight, got what he wanted to eat, and went away. The next night the ear came around again, smashed own a tent and stole a smoked ham. down a tent and stole a smoked ham. Under the park rules the soldiers were prohibited from firing at the thievish brute, as well as from jabbing a bayonet into him, and the only thing they could do when the bear appeared and went v, helping himself to rations was to get out of his way. Night after night the bold beast made a raid on the camp and ruined a tent or two. My inforwant said that the bear acted as if he knew that the soldiers daren't fire on him, and that on each visit he became more saucy and destructive than before. When the bear's raids had become unbearable the commandant sent the facts to the secretary of had become unbearable the command-ant sent the facts to the secretary of the interior and asked what to do. Word came back to shoot the bear, and that night, when Bruin strode boldly into camp, the soldiers put an end to his career by riddling him with bul-lets."—N. Y. Sun.

Mrs. Kutshaw (who has been discussing individual tastes)—What is your forte, Mrs. Jimpsey?

Mrs. Jimpsey—Me fourt' is dead.
Jimpsey's me fift'.—Chicago Record.

Ours Too. Harry—One never loses anything by heeping his engagements punctually.

Charlie—My experience is he is apt to lose half an hour's time waiting for the

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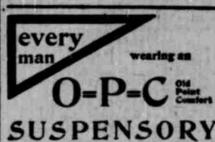
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